WEST PLEADS BUSINESS SESSION IN MESSAGE TO LEGISLATURE

single board of control and to avoid

creating new officials and expense

ing Board should be merged with this

board. By this arrangement the

The Oregon State Penitentiary

cost reduced.

to the public.

around the prison yard.

needed improvements.

What Oregon's prison policy shall

Upon taking office I found scores

Governor Makes Recommendations to Abolish Boards, Consolidate Departments and Increase Efficiency of State Administration.

Dwells Upon Prison Policy and Favors Law Enforcing Sterilization for Degenerates and Criminals.

SALEM, Ore., Jan. 13. The governor's message in part is as follows: of the Constitution, it again becomes my pleasant duty to present for your information a brief statement of the condition of our public affairs and offor for your kindly consideration a management of our state institutions few suggestions which, it appears to can be greatly simplified and the me, would make for the greater development of the state and the Increased prosperity of her people.

Special Reports Important questions will be presented for your consideration at this session, among them: A compensation act, a revision of our Judicial avstem, an insurance code and the Jefferson street levee and the Columhis Bouthern irrigation matters. These have been brought to your attention and quite fully discussed through special reports which have been mailed you from time to time.

The State's Finances The state's finances are in a splendid condition. We have no debts, bonded or otherwise, to worry us and there are ample funds on hand to meet all correct expenses. Unexpended appropriations and accumulated receipts from license fees and other sources in excess of a million dollars will be available for espenditure during the ensuing year and make necessary a state tax levy of but \$1,000,000 as against \$3,000,000

The State Institutions

You were promised two years ago that the maintenance appropriations of idle men in the institution and be in need of them. made by you for the support of our their ranks were suddenly swelled state institutions would answer the I am pleased to advise you that this promise has been kept.

Our state penal and ellmosynary testitutions have an approximate population of 2700 inmates. Their care has necessitated the hire of 270 h year, yet it is a condition which and reclaiming waste and unproduc has to be met. These institutions tive lands. are a product of the times and presto study the causes which fill them the policy of working convicts on inmates charged against each. and take steps to remove these causes county roads and at state instituwe may expect to be called upon to tions. It can therefore be taken as meet, not only the present demands, a settled policy and one which will for wayward girls and a request but greatly increased burdens in the take care of about one-third of our which will be made at this session for

Too often these institutions have ber can be utilized in the ordinary tion merits your earnest considerabeen used as political footballs, so upkeep of the prison and prison pro- tion. that their affairs and needs have perties. This leaves one-third of the many times falled to receive at the population not provided for. These which they merited. Inmates have funds for their care and support and use institutional earnings to covothers to a desire on the part of some one in the legislature to embarrass a factor in the management of these say, and without fear of contradic- institutions at \$5.00 per thousand, declared a public highway. tion, that this influence has never in the sum of \$16,700 was turned into a single instance dictated the selectine state treasury. Ten thousand

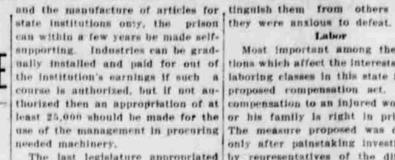
of them. board, through close attention to their affairs and the hearty coopera- tempted to prove that it was unlawtion of officers and employes, offers ful for us to make money for the two years hence a group of institu- by our critics. tions, ranking among the best, if The total cash earnings of the in- Our constitution should be amend-

The State Purchasing Board

its usefulness not only in simplifying just about one-half of the mainten- priations of merit. the purchase of supplies for state in- ance cost of the institution. stitlutions and at most satisfactory prices, but in pointing out the ad- be in the future rests largely with by the legislature were submitted to vantages which would accrue to the you. We have put forth our best ef- the people at the last election. Of state from a further consolidation forts in an endeavor to solve the these two were defeated and by a in the management of all state insti- prison labor problem and feel that we very small vote. Their defeat was tutions.

A Single Board of Control All state penal and eleemosynary in the beginning.

institutions should be placed under a



Educational Institutions

Our institutions of higher educaneeded. If needed they should receive liberal support; otherwise they should be made at this time for plac- ture. ing them on a millage tar basis in state treasurer. The state Purchas- the legislature each session.

Other Proposed Institutions Drunkard's Home

Our jails and state institutions are crowded with victims of the drink babit. These unfortunates are a continual expense to the taxpayers. This institution had its birth about A meritorious compensation act forty years ago. Added years and which makes each industry provide population brought it added filth and for the families of its killed and inadded rubbish. For two whole years jured is being proposed at this seawe have shoveled and scraped and sion. In view of this, I can see no scraped and shoveled in an endeavor reason why the hurden of providing to make the institution and grounds for down and out "booze fighters" clean and sanitary. We have made or their families should not be borne much progress, but still have far to by the liquor traffic. These indigo. However, this coming year will viduals being the product of the sasee such work pretty well taken care loon should be cared for by that inof and the institution and properties stitution.

A Reformatory Necessary

take on an appearance which will Some day, and in the no distant compare favorably with the heat of similar institutions in other states. future, this state must have a re-The superintendent's report pre- formatory where the better class of prisoners may be placed and thus cents in detail much information in regard to the affairs of the justitu- avoid their being thrown in contact tion and merits your careful conside with the confirmed criminals at the eration. The institution's problem is penitentiary. Should the recomwhat to do with its surplus labor, mendation made as to the state train-This question must be met. During ing school be followed that instituthe past year we have been able, in tion could be used as a reformatory spite of unjust criticism, misrepre- to accommodate the said better class sentation and many obstacles, to and overflow from the prison. The keep the men all busily engaged and lands surrounding the institution at occupations which were of profit could be farmed through the aid of this labor and the products distributed to such institutions as might

Home For the Aged

Figures obtained for the year 1911 by the cancellation of the stove founpurpose and that you would not be dry contract. Notwithstanding the show \$236,272,23 to have been spent called upon to make deficiencies good | delapidated structures and the filth | by the several counties in this state in the support of their poor. It is and rubbish sadly in need of removal, many of these idle men were locked estimated that there are about 600 in their cells or permitted to loaf of these unfortunates now being eared for by the counties. This number could be cared for at a state in-To relieve the situation, those were sent out to work on the roads cost and receive much better treatideal location for such a home. The cost of maintaining the home would

> Home for Wayward Girls There is a crying need for a home prison population. A similar num- the establishment of such an institu-

Good Roads

We still need good roads legislahands of the legislature the sober. men cannot and must not be left in tion. The people indicated through them forth to blight the future by which will be admired by all. sincere and unbiased consideration idleness. The institution can work their votes at the last election that out its own salvation if the manage- they were opposed to any but conbeen made to suffer through failure ment is given the right and authority servative action along these lines. of the legislature to provide adequate to conduct it on business principles. We have made some headway during the past two years, and the way this due at times to indifference on er operating expense, install addi- is open for further progress through the part of a superlatendent and at tional industries and take care of the passage of legislation not inconsistent with the vote of the people at Turn to the brick yard account of the said election.

him in his work. Politics is not now 1911 and you will find, notwith- The ocean beach from the Columstanding over one-third of the brick bia river on the north to the Califorinstitutions. The present board can manufactured was delivered to state his state line on the south should be

Useless Offices

The taxpayers are bearing the tion of an officer or employe at one dollars of this amount was profit burdens of many useless officials and and the total would have been \$12,- appropriations and should be given The last legislature treated the in- ooo had full value been collected relief. The Code contains many outstitutions with fair liberality, and the for brick furnished the institutions. of-date and useless laws which Then came the critics who at should be repealed.

Appropriation Bills . The practice of the past of subthem today for your inspection in a taxpayers and we were obliged to mitting for your consideration blankfar superior condition than has ever cease. It was with difficulty that et appropriation bills should be before existed. Should their needs we found a way to manufacture brick avoided. These bills should be rereceive the consideration which they to meet the needs of the several duced to the smallest practical units merit at your hands, and I am sure state institutions during 1912 and in order that the members may have they will, the board can promise you keep within the law as pointed out a better opportunity for considering the merits of each.

not the best, in the United States, stitution during the blennum was ed so as to permit the governor to and this notwithstanding that many \$40,955.01. Earnings through labor veto any item in an appropriation of the buildings are old and out of furnished state institutions and coun- bill. As the matter now stands useties, figured at 75 cents per day, but less appropriations are allowed to not collected, amounted to \$29,615 .- slip through for the reason that they The Purchasing Board has proved 75, making a total of \$70,570.76 or are included in a bill carrying appro-

Three tax amendments approved have made much progress-in fact not due to any particular opposition. far more than was thought possible but because of the great number of tax measures upon the ballot and E. G. Trowbridge, Jr., Prop. With the installation of industries the inability of many voters to dis-

and the manufacture of articles for tinguish them from others which the creation of defective children that

Labor

Most important among the quesnally installed and paid for out of tions which affect the interests of the and this protection should be given. the institution's earnings if such a laboring classes in this state is the False modesty, in the past, has ourse is authorized, but if not au- proposed compensation act. Just caused us to speak softly and to thorized then an appropriation of at compensation to an injured workman handle this subject with gloved least 25,000 should be made for the or his family is right in principle. hands. Recent disclosures have emuse of the management in procuring The measure proposed was drafted phasized the fact that the time has only after painstaking investigation come to speak aloud. The last legislature appropriated by representatives of the different. The state has been shocked by the \$11,250 to install 24 new steel cells, interests involved. These different recent exposures as to degenerate Through favorable prices on mater- interests each had to give and take a practices. But this is an old story ials and the use of our own labor we little in order to construct a measure, to those who deal with our jails and were able to install 48 cells, thus which would work for the common our asylums. Should you gentlemen fully supplying the demands of the good. It is easy to find fault with desire to investigate this subject I company, the expressed purpose of as it is founded upon sound principles ents of the penitentiary and the minor objections should be waived in asylum. tion are either needed or are not order that the bill may become a law and given a trial. Its shortcomings, the idea that these conditions are & Northwestern Railroad company. should any exist, will develop and confined within the walls of our should be abolished. Provision can easily be taken care of in the fu-A minimum wage bill will also be

governor, secretary of state and the necessity of coming begging to The bill is almed primarily to pro- cursing the state. tect the working girls of this state in a living wage. Such a law would far to remove conditions which often drive deserving, but helpless, girls to lives of shame.

It appears that the eight-hour law passed at the last election was without an enacting clause and will therefore he of no effect. I would, therefore, suggest that a new bill covering the eight-hour feature of the said bill be passed at this session.

The labor commissioner in his report has called your attention to the needs of labor in this state and I hope you may find time to look carefully into his recommendations.

Widow's Pension Bill

A measure providing for the pensioning of widows will be presented at this session. The bill appears to possess much merit and deserves your earnest consideration.

Auditor of Municipal Accounts

This state needs an auditor of publie accounts. A good man in this position would each year save the cost of his office many times over. As matters stand today millions of dollars are being expended annually by public officials and practically without supervision. This failure on our part to throw proper safeguards around such expenditures opens the way for waste and graft. Legislation providing for a uniform system of accounts throughout the several counties should be passed and measures along these lines will be offered for your consideration.

State Forest

Aided by the state land board I have been negotiating with the Federal government for the exchange of all scattered school sections within whom it was thought could be trusted stitution for about one-half the said the boundaries of the Federal forests in this state for a compact body penditure during the past two years and at various state institutions. The ment than many of them are now of timber. Should the trade now of about \$1.000,000. This is a vast balance were kept busy in and about receiving. Should the tuberculosis under negotiation be carried through, sum of money for the taxpayers of the prison premises cleaning and re- sanitarium be abandoned, the build- it will result in the state, securing the state to be called upon to pay pairing the building and in clearing ings and grounds would afford an title to some very desirable lands, the passage of a law to this effect and will go far in making our state would result in a great saving for The people of this state at our re- be apportioned to the several coun- of the nation. A plan for the adent day society and until we consent cent election by a large vote endorsed ties upon the basis of the number of ministration of this state forest will be submitted for your approval.

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a measure of this kind, but so long would refer you to the superintend- which is to build a stretch of rail-

But do not delude yourselves with prisons or asylums. These degens ter, Portland, representing eastern erates slink, in all their infamy, interests; H. N. Tinker, president through every city, contaminating First Trust company, Portland; J. G. the said board should consist of the order that they may be relieved of presented for your consideration. the young, debauching the innocest. Riggs, banker, Grants Pass, Oregon;

Two remedies are needed-one of sidering the first. We should now par value of \$100. act upon the two.

Sterlization and emasculation ofrecommend, therefore, that a statute Ledge mining district. be enacted making it the duty of our ipgs warrant, to cause such operasociety the protection it deserves.

Fire Arms

The passage of a law throwing restrictions around the carrying of concealed weapons would do much to prevent crime in this state.

The man who carries a revolver isually does so because he expects to have occasion to use it and if he continues to carry one it is only a question of time until he does use it. To reduce the number of revolvers carried means to reduce murders and hold-ups.

Appropriation of Property For Public The constitution says that private property shall not be taken for public use without just compensation. By just compensation is meant the value of the property. The law also says that such property shall be asfind the state and municipalities Francisco.

called upon in condemnation proceed-

ings to pay for a needed piece of pro-

perty many times its assessed value. This condition of affairs should tions. not be allowed to exist. The assessed value should be more of a guide to the price which the public should pay. It should not under any circumstances be obliged to pay more. than double the assessed value and nature is on each box. 25 cents.

the taxpayers of the state Panama Exposition

The committee appointed in accordance with an act of the last legislature to select a site for Oregon's Degenerates and the feeble-mind- buildings at the coming San Franed should not be allowed to reproduce cisco Exposition met with kindly their kind. Society should be pro- treatment at the hands of the good tected from this curse. Our asylums people of California. Oregon was afresh through such parentage. We given the first choice of the offered

PAPER RAILROAD FROM BLUE LEDGE TO GRANTS PASS

PORTLAND, Jan. 14 .- Articles of incorporation have been filed for the Portland & San Francisco Railrond road from Marshfield Occ., to Trinidad, California, connection to be made there with the San Francisco

The incorporators are it. N. Ches-Henry A. Davie, attorney, First Trust company, Portland. The new company preventions, another of cure. We is capitalized at \$2,000,000, stock befill a long-felt want and would go have from session to session been con- ing divided into 20,000 shares, of the

Incorporation articles also provide for a branch line road from Grants fer an effective remedy. I would Pass up Applegate river to the Blue

"The Portland & San Francisco state penal and eleemosynary insti- Railrond company contemplates the tutions to report all apparent cases expenditure of about \$14,900,000 in of degeneracy to the state board of construction work," said Mr. Clester health. It should be made the duty this morning. "I am not at lil-orty of the said board to cause investi- just now to say who is buelding the gation to be made and, if the find- proposition, though it is largely eastern capital. An order has been plactions to be performed as will give ed already for a spring delivery of steel, and preliminary surveying and clearing for the new road is under way. There are billions of feet of standing timber tributary to the company's right of way, and the handling of this product will be made a teature of the road's operations.

"The branch line into the Blue Ledge mining country is also planned because of the apparent returns which would follow the opening and development of that country when transportation facilities are offered

Mr. Chester says that the San Francisco & Northwestern line running from Trinidad south, is within 80 miles of San Francisco, so that completion of the proposed Portland line and its connection with the San Francisco & Northwestern road will give practically direct coast line consessed at its full cash value. Yet we nections between Portland and San

Mr. Chester said that the proposition is being undertaken independent of any of the large railroad corpora-

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